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Hi: Just wanted to comment that I think Microsoft will benefit from the current ruling as they will now have a "government blessed" path into a market that has typically not been a Microsoft monopoly. (Education) A better solution might be for Microsoft to be forced to buy a competitor's product, such as more Apple computers, and supply them to the Education market. That process would actually create a more competitive market! The way it now stands, schools, which normally have low budgets, will see the option of "free" computers and software from Microsoft or to have to spend money to buy competitors products. Which do you think most schools will choose and how can Microsoft really be "hurt" by "seeding" a foundation of even more kids learning on Microsoft products.

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